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SUBJECT:VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION
WORKING GROUP

REFS: A) STATE 115487; B) JIDDA 3513

1. MEMBERS OF DOE-SPONSORED INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION WORKING GROUP (ISCWG) TEAM PLANNING TO VISIT MIDDLE EAST LOCATIONS HAVE FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN ELABORATION OF THEIR PLANS AND OBJECTIVES.

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2. SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF ISCWG INTEREST INCLUDE POSSIBILITIES FOR COMMERCIALIZATION OF SUCH TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS AS SPACE HEATING AND COOLING, WATER HEATING, SOLAR PUMPS, COOKERS, PHOTOVOLTAICS, BIOMASS, WIND, DESALINATION, REFRIGERATION, CROP DRYING AND DECENTRALIZED POWER PLANTS.

3. WITH U.S. EMBASSY PERSONNEL, GROUP WOULD LIKE TO

EXPLORE FEASIBILITY/APPROPRIATENESS OF USING EMBASSY OR OTHER USG FACILITIES AS DEMONSTRATION SITES FOR SOLAR TECHNOLOGY. ALSO, WITH E/C OFFICERS, DISCUSS POTENTIAL ROLE OF U.S. TRADE PROMOTION FACILITIES, INCLUDING COMMERCIAL LIBRARIES, TRADE OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM, ETC., IN PROMOTING USEFUL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION TO FURTHER COMMERCIALIZATION OF SOLAR TECHNOLOGY.

4. TEAM WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH GOVT OFFICIALS THEIR SOLAR ENERGY PROGRAM, ENERGY USAGE AND SUPPLY AND DEMAND DATA, AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS FOR FABRICATING SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS, AND COST-EFFECTIVENESS PROJECTIONS.

5. TEAM HOPES TO DISCUSS WITH FOREIGN AND U.S. COMPANY OFFICIALS THEIR ASSESSMENT OF AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO STATE OF THE ART, AVAILABILITY FABRICATION FACILITIES AND TECHNICAL SKILLS, TYPES OF APPLICATIONS AND MARKET POTENTIAL.

6. GROUP WOULD APPRECIATE APPOINTMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS ABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION IN THESE AREAS. IN ADDITION TO CONTACTS SUGGESTED REF. B, ISCWG HAS OBTAINED FOLLOWING FURTHER NAMES OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE HELPFUL INFORMATION. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S/ CONGEN'S JUDGMENT AS TO WHICH APPOINTMENTS SHOULD BE SOUGHT IN TIME AVAILABLE.
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A. RIYADH UNIVERSITY: DR. J.A. SABBAGH, DEAN; DR. A.A.M. SAYIGH; DR. E.M.A. EL-SALAM; DR. SALEH AL-ATHER, VICE-RECTOR; DR. FAYEZ S. ANAN.

B. UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM AND MINERALS, DHAHRAN: PROF. M. ALI KETTANI; DR. R.L. JENKS; HUSSEIN K. ABDEL-AAL; DR. E. WALI; A. KREMHELLER; DR. FAHED DAKHIL. VICE RECTOR; DR. HASHIM YAMANI, DEAN OF GRADUATE SCHOOL.

7. DOE MEMBER OF TEAM WILL BE JOHN SCHULER, CHIEF OF COMMERCIALIZATION BRANCH, CONSERVATION AND SOLAR APPLICATIONS DIVISION, DOE; OTHER MEMBERS REMAIN AS NAMED IN REF A. TEAM WILL ARRIVE DHAHRAN 1205 JUNE 26 (KUWAIT AIRWAYS/630); LEAVE DHAHRAN 0820 JUNE 29 (SAUDI/955); ARRIVE JIDDA 1135; LEAVE JIDDA JULY 7 (FLIGHT NOT YET DETERMINED. AMERICAN EXPRESS HAS FOR SOME WEEKS BEEN SEEKING HOTEL RESERVATIONS (FOUR SINGLES) IN DHAHRAN AND JIDDA FOR THESE DATES, BUT HAS NOT YET CONFIRMED. POSTS' ASSISTANCE TO EXTENT FEASIBLE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

8. TEAM PLANS TO PHONE CONTACT OFFICER VAN ROBERTSON

UPON ARRIVAL IN JIDDA; WHOM SHOULD THEY CONTACT IN
DHAHRAN? VANCE

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